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Regularization of the services of Gazetted Officers.

* 2854 Q.—SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR (on behalf of Sri K. P. Gopalan): Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the services of a large number of Gazetted Officers in Educational, Revenue, Police and other departments in the State have not been regularized for a very long period as a result of which the officers concerned have not been able to draw any increment in their salaries; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: (a) Yes.

(b) A statement [a] is placed on the table of the House.

Chanks and pearl-fishing.

* 2855 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether any amount is due from the Government of Bengal on account of the sale of chanks; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to recover it.

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (a) Yes. A sum of Rs. 2,472-1-10 being the sales tax amount on the value of chanks of 1945-46 season supplied to the Government of undivided Bengal is due to this Government.

(b) The question of recovery of the amount due from the Government of West Bengal is under correspondence with that Government and they have been specially requested for an early settlement of the dues.

Chanks and pearl-fishing.

* 2856 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the income derived by the Government from pearl-fishing in the State in 1955?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: The total receipts on account of the Pearl-Fishing Operations in 1955 were Rupees 1,46,138-5-3.

Medical van in Nattika firka.

* 2857 Q.—SRI P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state how long the Government propose to station the Medical Van in Nattika firka in Ponnani taluk to combat the spread of dysentery in that firka? 9-20 a.m.

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY: The mobile medical van was stationed in the Nattika firka from 1st June 1955 to 14th August 1955 to combat the spread of dysentery.

[a] Printed as Appendix on page 506 infra.

SRI P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN : It has been ascertained by Public Health Officers and the Director of Public Health that the cause for the spread of dysentery was due to contamination of water and unless this is removed there is every chance of dysentery spreading even in the future. Therefore, will the Government see that a medical van operates there permanently?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : This question was answered in reply to question No. 2869.

Appeals to Commercial Tax Officers.

* 2858 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state with reference to the answer given to question No. 1168 on 8th March 1955 whether it is a fact that the Commissioner of Commercial Taxes has since issued instructions in his proceedings, dated 20th June 1955, that appeals to Commercial Tax Officers should be written in English only?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Yes, in his proceedings, dated 21st June 1955.

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : May I know why when we are laying so much emphasis on regional language in matters of administration and even in the matter of education at the University level this Government are not permitting the people to file appeals in a simple matter like presentation of appeals in the regional language?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Because this refers to statutory appeals before Quasi Judicial Tribunals. Now, English language is being adopted in all such cases and in courts of law.

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister tell me whether there is any constitutional prohibition in allowing persons in the matter of filing appeals in such matters in the regional language?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : I do not think there will be any constitutional objection. The practice now is that English language is being used. Probably in course of time we expect English may be replaced by the regional languages.

SRI S. RAMALINGAM : பிரதேச பாஷைக்கு முக்கியத்துவம் கொடுக்கப்படவேண்டுமென்று சொல்லப்படுகிறது. அது வளர்ச்சி அடைவதற்குரிய சந்தர்ப்பம் நிறைய அளிக்கப்படவேண்டுமென்று அந்தத் தரப்பிலிருந்து பிரமாதமாகப் பிரசாரம் செய்யப்பட்டு வருகிறது. அப்படியிருந்தும் கூட வியாபாரிகள் அவர்களது தாய் பாஷையின் மூலமாகவே அப்பீல் பைல் பண்ணுவதற்கு என் அனுமதிக்கப்படக்கூடாது? எதற்காக அப்பீல்கள் ஆங்கிலத்திலேயே இருக்கவேண்டுமென்று விதிக்கவேண்டும்? அந்த இலாக்காவிலுள்ள அதிகாரிகள்கூட பிரதேச பாஷை நன்கு தெரிந்தவர்களாக இருப்பதினால் இந்த உத்திரவை ரத்து செய்து பிரதேச பாஷையிலேயே அப்பீல் செய்துகொள்ள சந்தர்ப்பம் அளிக்கப்படுமா என்று கேட்கிறேன்.